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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRTIETH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION

Note by the Secretariat

1. The Economic and Social Council, in its resolution 1894 (LVII), requested the Secretary-General to submit, at each session of a functional commission or subsidiary body of the Council, a draft provisional agenda for its following session and to indicate the documents to be submitted under each agenda item and the legislative authority for their preparation.

2. In its resolution 1979/41, the Economic and Social Council decided that the provisional agenda for its subsidiary bodies, together with the list of requested documentation, should be submitted to the Council for its review, in order, inter alia, to establish greater consistency between the documentation of those bodies and the overall documentation requested by the Council and other subsidiary bodies and greater consistency between the requests for documentation and the medium-term plan and the programme budget.

3. In its resolution 1982/50 on the revitalization of its work, the Economic and Social Council endorsed the recommendation of the Secretary-General that the documentation and programme of work of the subsidiary bodies of the Council should also be streamlined in order to enable them to perform effectively the functions entrusted to them.

4. The draft provisional agenda will be modified at the present session, in the light of resolutions and decisions adopted and requests made by the Commission during the present session, and will be submitted to the Economic and Social Council for review, in accordance with Council resolution 1979/41.

* E/CN.3/1997/1.

The draft provisional agenda is as follows:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

   Documentation

   Provisional agenda and annotations

   Note by the Secretariat on the organization of the work of the session

   Note by the Secretariat on the state of preparation of documentation for the session

3. Coordination and integration of international statistical programmes.

   Documentation

   Report of the Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Coordination on its nineteenth (1998) session

   Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) Subcommittee on Statistical Activities on its thirty-first (1997) and thirty-second (1998) sessions

4. Programme questions and related matters.

   Documentation

   Draft programme of work of the Statistical Division of the United Nations for the biennium 2000-2001: proposals concerning the medium-term plan for statistics

5. Provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Commission.

6. Report of the Commission on its thirtieth session.

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON ITS TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

Draft report

Rapporteur: Mr. G. M. CHARUMBIRA (Botswana)

Chapter ___

ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Statistical Commission held its twenty-ninth session at United Nations Headquarters from 11-14 February 1997. The Commission held ___ meetings (483rd to ___).

2. The session was opened by the temporary Chairman, Mr. Yuri Yurkov (Russian Federation).

3. The Director of the United Nations Statistics Division made a statement.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by ___ States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. A list of participants is given in annex __ to the present report.

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C. Election of officers

5. At the 483rd meeting, on 11 February, the Commission elected the following officers, by acclamation:

Chairman: Carlos Jarque (Mexico)

Vice-Chairmen: Edvard Outrata (Czech Republic)

S. Sathyam (India)

Tim Holt (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Rapporteur: G. M. Charumbira (Botswana)

D. Agenda and organization of work

6. Also at the 483rd meeting, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/CN.3/1997/1. The agenda is set out in annex __ to the present report.

7. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of the work of the session (E/CN.3/1997/L.1), as amended.

E. Documentation

8. The documents before the Commission at its twenty-ninth session are listed in annex __ to the present report.

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